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In subsection (e)(3) of this section, a duty to forward a cancellation is added, for completeness.

Defined terms: "Adoptive parent" § 5-101

"Director" § 5-359

"Juvenile court" § 1-101

"Parent" § 5-301

"Secretary" § 5-359

5-360. RESERVED.

5-361. RESERVED.

PART VI. PROHIBITED ACTS.

5-362. PROHIBITED PAYMENTS.

(A) PROHIBITED ACT.

EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY LAW, A PERSON MAY NOT CHARGE OR RECEIVE, FROM OR FOR A PARENT OR PROSPECTIVE ADOPTIVE PARENT, ANY COMPENSATION FOR A SERVICE IN CONNECTION WITH:

- (1) PLACEMENT OF AN INDIVIDUAL TO LIVE WITH A PREADOPTIVE PARENT, AS DEFINED IN \S 3–823(I)(1) OF THE COURTS ARTICLE; OR
 - (2) AN AGREEMENT FOR CUSTODY IN CONTEMPLATION OF ADOPTION.
 - (B) CONSTRUCTION OF SECTION.
- (1) IN THIS SUBSECTION, "ADMINISTRATION" MEANS THE SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION OF THE DEPARTMENT.
 - (2) THIS SECTION DOES NOT:
- (I) PROHIBIT PAYMENT, BY AN INTERESTED PERSON, OF A CUSTOMARY AND REASONABLE CHARGE OR FEE FOR HOSPITAL, LEGAL, OR MEDICAL SERVICES; OR
- (II) PREVENT THE ADMINISTRATION, OR A PERSON THAT THE ADMINISTRATION LICENSES OR SUPERVISES, FROM RECEIVING AND ACCEPTING REASONABLE REIMBURSEMENT FOR COSTS OF AN ADOPTIVE SERVICE IN CONNECTION WITH ADOPTION, IF:
- 1. THE REIMBURSEMENT IS IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDARDS SET BY REGULATION OF THE ADMINISTRATION; AND
 - 2. THE ABILITY TO PROVIDE THIS REIMBURSEMENT DOES

NOT AFFECT:

A. THE ACCEPTABILITY OF ANY INDIVIDUAL FOR ADOPTIVE

SERVICES; OR